



Indiana Department of Education

SUPPORTING STUDENT SUCCESS

MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

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SUBJECT: Update on Indiana's Common Core State Standards

On August 3, 2010, the Indiana State Board of Education unanimously voted to adopt the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for Mathematics and English/Language Arts (E/LA). Following adoption, the CCSS became known as Indiana's Common Core Standards (INCC).

Indiana's Common Core Standards provide a consistent, clear understanding of what students are expected to learn, so teachers and parents know what they need to do to help them. The standards are designed to be robust and relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills that our young people need for success in postsecondary education and in careers. They will benefit all Indiana students by ensuring they have the knowledge and skills needed beyond their K-12 educational experience.

The Indiana Department of Education (IDOE) is committed to assisting and guiding schools in the implementation of INCC. In partnership with educators from across the state, IDOE is working to develop and share instructional and support tools for successful implementation. The update on December 5, 2012, will provide an overview of the resources IDOE staff have developed with Hoosier educators and experts from across the country, and will identify where those resources are location on the IDOE website for future reference and referral.